

**DECLARATION/  
POWER OF ATTORNEY  
FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN  
PATENT APPLICATION  
(37 CFR 1.63)**

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Attorney Docket Number:

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Alfred PELLEGRINI

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Application Number:

Filing Date:

Art Unit:

Examiner Name:

**I hereby declare that:**

Each inventor's residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to their name.

I believe the inventor(s) named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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*(Title of the Invention)*

the specification of which

☐ is attached hereto

**OR**

☒ was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) 02/20/2004 as United States Application or PCT International Application Number PCT/EP2004/001684

and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable). I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Foreign Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Priority Not Claimed	Certified Copy Attached?	
				Yes	No
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# Declaration/Power Of Attorney for Utility or Design Patent Application

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I hereby appoint:

☒ **Practitioners at Customer Number 23122**
**OR**
☐ Practitioner(s) named below:

Name	Registration Number

as my/our attorney(s) or agent(s) to prosecute the application identified above, and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

Direct all correspondence to:

☒ Practitioners Customer Number listed above; **OR**
☐ Correspondence Address Below

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City:

State:

Zip:

Country:

Telephone:

Fax:

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

**Name of Sole or First Inventor:**
☐ A Petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor.

Given Name (first and middle (if any))

Family Name or Surname

Alfred

PELLEGRINI

Inventor's Signature

Date: 16 September 2005

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Country: ITALY

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State:

Zip: 31044

Country: ITALY

☐ Additional inventors are listed on the next page.

**Box No. VIII (iv) DECLARATION: INVENTORSHIP (only for the purposes of the designation of the United States of America)**  
*The declaration must conform to the following standardized wording provided for in Section 214; see Notes to Boxes Nos. VIII, VIII (i) to (v) (in general) and the specific Notes to Box No. VIII (iv). If this Box is not used, this sheet should not be included in the request.*

**Declaration of inventorship (Rules 4.17(iv) and 51bis.1(a)(iv))  
 for the purposes of the designation of the United States of America:**

I hereby declare that I believe I am the original, first and sole (if only one inventor is listed below) or joint (if more than one inventor is listed below) inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought.

This declaration is directed to the international application of which it forms a part (if filing declaration with application).

This declaration is directed to international application No. PCT/EP2004/001684 (if furnishing declaration pursuant to Rule 26ter).

I hereby declare that my residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated next to my name.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified international application, including the claims of said application. I have identified in the request of said application, in compliance with PCT Rule 4.10, any claim to foreign priority, and I have identified below, under the heading "Prior Applications," by application number, country or Member of the World Trade Organization, day, month and year of filing, any application for a patent or inventor's certificate filed in a country other than the United States of America, including any PCT international application designating at least one country other than the United States of America, having a filing date before that of the application on which foreign priority is claimed.

Prior Applications: .....

I hereby acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is known by me to be material to patentability as defined by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

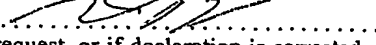
I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Name: PELLEGRINI Alfred

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Mailing Address: Via delle Ginestre, 50 - 31044 MONTEBELLUNA (TV) - ITALY

Citizenship: Italian

Inventor's Signature:   
 (if not contained in the request, or if declaration is corrected or added under Rule 26ter after the filing of the international application. The signature must be that of the inventor, not that of the agent)

Date: March 16, 2004  
 (of signature which is not contained in the request, or of the declaration that is corrected or added under Rule 26ter after the filing of the international application)

Name: .....

Residence: .....

Mailing Address: .....

Citizenship: .....

Inventor's Signature: .....

Date: .....

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**Box No. VIII (i) DECLARATION: IDENTITY OF THE INVENTOR**

*The declaration must conform to the standardized wording provided for in Section 211; see Notes to Boxes Nos. VIII, VIII (i) to (v) (in general) and the specific Notes to Box No. VIII (i). If this Box is not used, this sheet should not be included in the request.*

Declaration as to the identity of the inventor (Rules 4.17(i) and 51 bis.1(a)(i)):

Declaration as to the identity of the inventor (Rules 4.17(i) and 51 bis.1(a)(i)):

in relation to this International patent application, PELLEGRINI Alfred -Via delle Ginestre, 50 - 31044 MONTEBELLUNA (TV) - ITALY- is the inventor of the subject matter for which protection is sought by way of this International application. This declaration is made for the purposes of all designations except the designation of the United States of America.

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